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The attached map titled, "Perchlorate - Drinking Water Impacts and Sources", was developed by Region 9 in order to assemble perchlorate drinking water data and possible sources of contamination into a Geographic Information System (GIS) format. This map brings together information from the State of California and several federal agencies to help prioritize and coordinate efforts to address this emerging contaminant. The map is comprised of a collection of areas impacted by perchlorate. In order to facilitate further cooperative investigations by the State and USEPA, the Region plans to complete individual, smaller-scale maps of each of the twelve "perchlorate discovery study areas" identified on this map. They will be made available to interested parties in the future.

Included with this map is an index titled, "California Drinking Water Wells with Perchlorate Detections". This index represents the latest Department of Health Services perchlorate detections in drinking water wells. The index, which is sorted by water system name, provides information on each well, noted by well number, on the map.

We hope that this map, along with future updates, will provide a useful and flexible tool for communication within and between government agencies, and will supplement your on-going investigations. Moreover, we hope that by sharing this information with other interested parties, we can better coordinate our individual efforts and minimize possible duplication of efforts. Your comments and suggestions on content and format are requested and can be directed to either Kevin Mayer, 415- 973-3176, or Matt Mitguard, 415- 972-3096.

Sincerely,

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